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DC DMV Hosts FREE Child Car Safety Seat Check

(WASHINGTON, DC) – Child Passenger Safety Week is September 23 through 29, 2018, and the <u>District of Columbia Department of Motor Vehicles</u> (DC DMV) is closing out the week by hosting a child car seat safety check and install on Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 2-7 p.m. at its <u>Inspection Station</u> located at 1001 Half Street, SW.

DC DMV Director Lucinda Babers says, "The key to keeping children safe is to ensure they are in the right seat for their age, weight, and height, as well as make sure that the seat is correctly installed in the vehicle." Child safety seats save hundreds of young lives every year, so it is vitally important that children have the proper child seat, and it is correctly installed.

Free booster seats will be provided to children who are least four years old while supplies last. The booster seats are only available to District residents, and the child must be present.

In May, DC DMV expanded its FREE child car seat inspections and installations from two days to five days a week. The inspections and installations are held Tuesday through Saturday at the Inspection Station during normal operating hours.

Along with DC DMV, representatives from the <u>District Department of Transportation</u> (DDOT), <u>Metropolitan Police Department</u> (MPD), <u>Emergency Medical Services for Children</u> and <u>DC Safe Kids</u> will be on-site to demonstrate how to correctly install a child safety seat.

For detailed information on how to select the proper car seat, visit <u>safercar.gov</u>. Keep children safe. Participate in Child Passenger Safety Week.

The District Department of Motor Vehicles promotes public safety to ensure the safe operation of motor vehicles while providing outstanding customer service. For more information, visit http://dmv.dc.gov. Like DC DMV on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter.